

INTERNATIONAL SOCIAL INNOVATION RESEARCH CONFERENCE 2025 PROGRAM



DAY 1: WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2025

8:00 - 9:00 am							
Registration and Breakfast (MacEwan Hall Ballroom)							
9:00 - 9:45 am							
University of Calgary Speaker Welcome, Opening Remarks, and Plan for the Day. Opening Prayer by Indigenous Elder(MacEwan Hall Ballroom)							
9:45 - 10:45 am							
Keynote Speaker 1: Jurgen Howaldt - Shaping Society with Social Innovation (MacEwan Hall Ballroom)							
10:45 - 11:15 am							
Break and Networking (MacEwan Hall Ballroom)							
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11:15 - 11:40 am 1: Peter Milley & Daphne Varghese (Evolution of the Landscape of Social Innovation Initiatives in Canadian Universities: An Empirical Description and Analysis 2018-2023)	11:15 - 11:40 am 1: Mohammad Hannan Mia (Decolonizing Social Innovation: Rethinking Social Economy Through Afro-Diasporic Political Thought) P. Akter, M. Ali, F. Yasmin, S. Hia	11:15 - 11:40 am 1: Jacqui McLaughlin (Satificing for Change: The Power of Bounded Rationality in Interdisciplinary Social Innovation) K. Umstead, H. Nguyen, Z. Noel	11:15 - 11:40 am 1: Jack Rendall (Realist Constellations: How Community-Led Organizations Influence Health and Wellbeing Across Scotland, Northern Ireland, and England)	11:15 - 11:40 am 1: Awele Achi (Disentangling How Directors' Exposure Influences Social Innovation Performance: A Moderated-Moderation Analysis Based on Evidence from Jordanian Social Enterprises) F. Taji, I. Al-Jubari		11:15 - 11:40 am 1: Karina Maldonado-Mariscal (Buen Vivir in the Global South: A Crtical Perspective on Innovation and Transitions) R. Holsgens	
11:40 am - 12:05 pm 2: Marthe Zirngiebl & Katrin Bauer (The Diffusion of Social Innovation Offerings within German Higher Education Institutions and Their Missions) D. Kruger, C. Kaletka, R. Kopp, A. Dederichs	11:40 am - 12:05 pm 2: Maria Rabadjieva (Bridging the Gap: Advancing Social Innovation Diffusion through Practice Fields)		11:40 am - 12:05 pm 2: Rachel Baker (Evaluating Health and Wellbeing Outcomes: Longitudinal Survey and Economic Analysis of Community-Led Organisations in Scotland, Northern Ireland and England) H. Mason, S. Manoukian, N. Irvine, C. Donaldson	11:40 am - 12:05 pm 2: Michael Marks ('Creating More Services for Young People without New Dollars': Using an Action Research Approach to Study the Development of a Youth Services Organizational Exchange Collective)		11:40 am - 12:05 pm 2: Tara Gates (Social Innovation Approaches for Solving Energy Poverty) M. Hannouf, G. Assefa, I. Gates	
			12:05 - 12:30 pm 3: Kelly Hall (Research Better Together: Strengthening Participatory Research Collaborations between Academics and Voluntary Organisations)	12:05 - 12:30 pm 3: Aqueel Wahga (The Role of Proto-Institutional Sponsors in Developing Sustainability-Oriented Dynamic Capabilities: A Study of Pakistan's Leatherworking SMEs)		12:05 - 12:30 pm 3: Karl Janelle (Unlikely Alliances and Strategic Experimentation: Towards Energy Democracy in Quebec)	
12:30 - 1:30 pm							
Lunch and Panel: Similarities and Differences in Perceptions of SI across the Globe with Sandra Lapointe, Serenity Wright, Augusto Romero-Lovo, Judith Tierstrieip, and Peter Milley [facilitator](MacEwan Hall Ballroom)							

1:30 - 2:30 pm Keynote Speaker 2: Katharine McGowan - Building a Complexity Informed Pedagogy (MacEwan Hall Ballroom)							
2:30 - 3:00 pm Break and Networking (MacEwan Hall Ballroom)							
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3:00 - 3:25 pm 1: Liz Chen (Accelerating Innovation by Leveraging Human-Centred Design to Advance the Strategic Plan at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill)	3:00 - 3:25 pm 3: Melissa Fuster & Maille Faughnan (Unpacking Complexity in Food Systems: A Systems Dynamics Approach) M. Munoz, E. Simon, A. Bilfield, L. Baker	3:00 - 3:25 pm 1: Thomas Buchanan (An In-Depth Examination of the Scottish FA Extra Time Programme and its Contribution to Community Well-Being in Scotland)	3:00 - 3:25 pm 4: Adriana Rasip, Palvindran Jayram & Anna Ong (Empowered Families Initiative: An Innovative Community-Driven Approach Towards Breaking Out of Poverty) S. Mariana	3:00 - 3:25 pm 1: Katrin Bauer (Social Innovation Orientation: A Measurement Approach in the Public Sector)	3:00 - 3:25 pm 1: Ginette Lafreniere & Lamine Diallo (An Exploration of Trust-Based Funding for Black and Indigenous-Led Grassroots Organizations in the Region of Waterloo, Ontario: A Transformative Case Study) U. Cummings van Zyl, F. Baig, N. Zachariah	3:00 - 3:25 pm 4: Karina Maldonado-Mariscal (Exnovation Dynamics: Towards a Classification) A. Schell	
3:25 - 3:50 pm 2: Erin Hogan, Sean Geobey & Tania Del Matto (Bringing the Gown to the Town: Community-Embedded Classrooms for Fostering Social Innovation)	3:25 - 3:50 pm 4: Michael Kriegel (Embracing Complexity - Peer-organizing & Action Research in Social and Responsible Entrepreneurship) S. Baumann, S. Kapitza	3:25 - 3:50 pm 2: Joanna Paulynn Masangkay (Winning Beyond the Pitch: Exploration of How Player Care Shapes Success) C. Cho, A. Tonge	3:25 - 3:50 pm 5: Elisabeth Unterfrauner (Young Citizen Scientists in Health: Can the Involvement of Pupils in Citizen Science Become a Social Innovation?) T. Schafer, C. Fabian	3:25 - 3:50 pm 2: Laetitia Rakotoson (Untangle the Participatory Factors and Determinants of Participatory Approaches in Social Innovation)	3:25 - 3:50 pm 2: Bhawna Sarin (Institutional Investors and Impact Investing: Aligning Profits with Purpose?)	3:25 - 3:50 pm 5: Paul Varella & Abigail Castri (Sustainability through Cross-Sector Innovation: Synergies between Environmental NGOs and Resource Intensive Companies)	
3:50 - 4:15 pm 3: Mitch Wilson (Advancing Digital Accessibility in Higher Education: Inclusive Learning Frameworks for Learners with Autism)	3:50 - 4:15 pm 5: Ola Tjornbo (Two Different Strategies for Scaling Social Innovation)	3:50 - 4:15 pm 3: Ajwang Warria (Women-Led Social Innovation(s) in a Rural Community in Kenya: Lessons for Policy and Practice) V. Chikadzi	3:50 - 4:15 pm 6: Renee Hunt (Mindful Social Innovation Driving Transformative Change in Mental Health and Addiction Care: Co-Designing Solutions With Young People) A. MacDougall, M. Taylor-Gates, S. Thomas	3:50 - 4:15 pm 3: Daniel Auler (Social Innovation as a Driving Force for Sustainable Food: Analyzing the Formation of Agroecological Markets from the Perspective of Co-Innovation Processes) M. Dalmoro, C. Bitencourt	3:50 - 4:15 pm 3: Satish Kumar (Bridging the Finance Gap: Social Enterprises and the Institutional Evolution of India's SEE)	3:50 - 4:15 pm 6: Aqueel Wahga (Co-creation for Green Transitions: A Comparative Analysis of Contexts, Mechanisms and Outcomes) F. Calo	
4:15 - 4:40 pm 4: Kyle McQuillan (A Human-Centred Approach to the Creation of Meaningful Interdisciplinary Learning Opportunities)	4:15 - 4:40 pm 6: Dilek Sayedahmed & Maryam Mohiuddin Ahmed (Mapping for Systemic Change: A Participatory Co-Design Approach to Understanding Social Innovation Ecosystems)	4:15 - 4:40 pm 4: Amantle Kanyuchi & Fungayi Kanyuchi (The Role of LED Stage Trucks in Enhancing Public Health Communication in Africa)	4:15 - 4:40 pm 7: Zaman Shahid (Women, Climate Change, and Vulnerability: A Study of Jamalpur, Bangladesh)		4:15 - 4:40 pm 4: Emmanuel Amaechi (Green Gaze: Advancing Environmental STEM Education Through Youth-Led Innovation in Nigerian Secondary Schools)		

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